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SUBJECT: SISCO MEETS WITH CYPRUS AMBASSADOR

1. CYPRUS AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU OPENED FEBRUARY 13 MEETING WITH UNDER SECRETARY SISCO BY SEEKING US SUPPORT TO PREVENT TURKISH-CYPRIOT REPRESENTATIVE FROM ADDRESSING HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE ON CYPRUS QUESTION. SISCO RESPONDED THAT WE WOULD SUPPORT A HEARING OF THE TURKISH-CYPRIOT VIEW-POINT, BUT WOULD OPPOSE PROCEDURES WHICH COULD INFER A DEGREE OF RECOGNITION OF THE TURKISH-CYPRIOT STATE.

2. DIMITRIOU THEN TURNED TO THE CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS AND READ FROM A RECENT CABLE FROM FOREIGN MINISTER CHRISTOPHIDES, WHO QUESTIONED WHETHER THE FORTHCOMING ROUND OF TALKS WOULD BE MEANINGFUL OR PRODUCTIVE. THE CABLE REFERRED TO DENKTASH
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STATEMENTS THAT THE TURKS WOULD NOT TABLE PROPOSALS AND THAT

SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS WOULD BE REFERRED TO SUBCOMMITTEES. THIS AUGURED FOR A SHORT, UNPRODUCTIVE SESSION AND THE REAL POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER IMPASSE.

3. SISCO STRESSED THAT THE US FAVORED SUBSTANTIVE AND EXPEDITIOUS TALKS, AND SHARED DIMITRIOU'S CONCERN THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS NOT LAPSE INTO A LENGTHY RECESS. THE US INTENDED TO FOLLOW THE TALKS CLOSELY AND TO PROVIDE

WHATEVER ASSISTANCE THE PARTIES CONSIDERED USEFUL.

4. DIMITRIOU MENTIONED THE PERSISTENT FEELING AMONGST HIS COUNTRYMEN THAT US HAS PREPARED TO SACRIFICE CYPRUS TO ENSURE THE RETENTION OF US BASES IN TURKEY.

5. SISCO SAID THIS WAS NONSENSE. WE VIEW THE JOINT FACILITIES IN TURKEY AS BEING AS VALUABLE TO TURKEY AS THEY ARE TO US. A KEY ELEMENT IN OUR TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS IS THE FUTURE LEVEL OF US ASSISTANCE. OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE DEPENDS UPON THE LEVEL OF OUR CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT AND THIS IN TURN DEPENDS, IN GREAT MEASURE, ON PROGRESS ON CYPRUS.

6. THE DISCUSSION THEN TURNED TO RECENT TURKISH MOVES CYPRUS. DIMITRIOU SAID THERE WERE REPORTS THE TURKS WOULD MOVE INTO NEW FAMAGUSTA, AND IF THIS HAPPENED, ALL NEGOTIATIONS WOULD END. CYPRUS EMBASSY COUNSELOR NICOLAIDES RECOUNTED RECENT EXPULSIONS OF GREEK-CYPRIOIS FROM THE KARPASS AREA AND INCREASING EVIDENCE OF TURKISH COLONIZATION OF THE NORTH. SISCO REPEATED ASSURANCES RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM ANKARA THAT THE TURKS HAVE NO PLAN TO SETTLE VAROSHA AND WERE NOT ENCOURAGING MIGRATION FROM TURKEY TO CYPRUS. SHOULD WE OBTAIN CONTRARY EVIDENCE, SISCO ASSURED DIMITRIOU WE WILL SPEAK DIRECTLY TO THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT.

7. SISCO INQUIRED ABOUT GOC INTENTIONS REGARDING NICOS SAMPSON. DIMITRIOU SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WAS SERIOUS ABOUT BRINGING HIM TO TRIAL AND WAS CURRENTLY PURSUING AN INVESTIGATION. SISCO ASKED IF ANY PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE

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ON THE INVESTIGATION ON THE DAVIES KILLING. DIMITRIOU SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS. THE PICTURES AND FILMS PROVIDED BY THE US WERE HELPFUL ONLY IN IDENTIFYING WHO WAS AT THE SCENE BUT COULD NOT BE CONSIDERED AS CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE AS TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLING. BECAUSE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH EXISTED AT THE TIME, IT WAS DOUBTFUL SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE COULD BE GATHERED FOR A SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION. INGERSOLL

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